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For: CLASS OF FEATURE EVENT GAMES
SUITABLE FOR LINKING TO MULTIPLE
GAMING MACHINES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

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